

**From:** [Arcaute, Francisco](#)  
**To:** [Short, Thomas](#); [Karl, Richard](#); [Evison, Leah](#); [Rowan, Anne](#); [Kelley, Jeff](#)  
**Subject:** MN Star Tribune request re General Mills cleanup site = comments?  
**Date:** Friday, March 14, 2014 1:07:45 PM

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## MN Star Tribune question re General Mills cleanup site:

At the bare minimum, I'd be interested in knowing whether EPA is considering increasing its oversight of this particular Superfund site – where the issue of vapor intrusion has kind of turned old cleanup plans on their ear ...

### Suggested reply:

At the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's request, EPA has reviewed work plans for vapor intrusion investigation and mitigation. If requested by the MPCA, EPA will continue with its support.

MPCA and General Mills entered into a consent order to perform the clean up in 1984. MPCA continues to be the lead agency at the site.

For more information:

<http://www.epa.gov/region5/superfund/npl/minnesota/MND051441731.html>

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**From:** Short, Thomas  
**Sent:** Friday, March 14, 2014 12:16 PM  
**To:** Arcaute, Francisco; Karl, Richard; Evison, Leah; Rowan, Anne; Kelley, Jeff  
**Subject:** RE: MN Star Tribune request re General Mills cleanup site

Hi Francisco,

Adding what Leah just sent out, here's a statement.

At MPCA's request, we have reviewed work plans for vapor intrusion investigation and mitigation and are will continue our support if the MPCA requests it.

Tom

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**From:** Short, Thomas  
**Sent:** Friday, March 14, 2014 11:43 AM  
**To:** Arcaute, Francisco; Karl, Richard; Evison, Leah; Rowan, Anne; Kelley, Jeff  
**Subject:** RE: MN Star Tribune request re General Mills cleanup site

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**From:** Arcaute, Francisco  
**Sent:** Friday, March 14, 2014 11:38 AM  
**To:** Short, Thomas; Karl, Richard; Evison, Leah; Rowan, Anne; Kelley, Jeff  
**Subject:** RE: MN Star Tribune request re General Mills cleanup site

The reporter just emailed this:

At the bare minimum, I'd be interested in knowing whether EPA is considering increasing its oversight of this particular Superfund site – where the issue of vapor intrusion has kind of turned old cleanup plans on their ear ... Even an email reply to that question would suffice, though obviously an interview with Leah would be the ideal.

Thanks

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**From:** Short, Thomas

**Sent:** Friday, March 14, 2014 11:35 AM

**To:** Arcaute, Francisco; Karl, Richard; Evison, Leah; Rowan, Anne; Kelley, Jeff

**Subject:** RE: MN Star Tribune request re General Mills cleanup site

Francisco, my advice is to simply say we've been providing support to MPCA when requested. I don't know what specifically that might have been, but Leah can elaborate on what documents she's been asked to review. If MPCA requests additional support, we're ready to provide it as they are the lead enforcement agency at the site.

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**From:** Arcaute, Francisco

**Sent:** Friday, March 14, 2014 11:23 AM

**To:** Karl, Richard; Short, Thomas; Evison, Leah; Rowan, Anne; Kelley, Jeff

**Subject:** MN Star Tribune request re General Mills cleanup site

Jeremy Olson, Star Tribune, 612-673-7744, is writing a story for the Sunday Star Tribune newspaper on the history of the General Mills cleanup site in Minneapolis.

The reporter would like to discuss EPA's role with the site. He's already talking to the state and General Mills.

How do we wish to respond?

Thanks

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